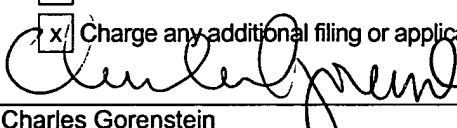
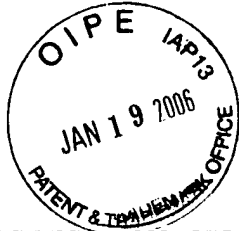


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2005, reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks:

This reply includes:

Claim Set as Amended; and
Remarks.